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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the time for responding to the Action mailed on September 25, 2008 be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for three (3) months, so that the extended period for response will end on March 25, 2009. Applicants intend to file a divisional application, claiming priority to this application, during this time period.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for this extension of time is \$1,110.00 and will be paid during electronic filing via the Revenue Accounting and Management System. However, if it is determined that any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 are due in connection with this Reply, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees, and/or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

Respectfully submitted,

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